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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on December 17, 2003, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a United Kingdom Search Report mailed on March 3, 2004, with respect to counterpart United Kingdom Application No. GB 0321204.0, in which the United Kingdom Patent Examiner cited the following documents:

U.S. Patent No. 4,796,988 to DUFOUR et al., which issued on January 10, 1989;

U.S. Patent No. 4,786,160 to FURTER, which issued on November 22, 1988. This reference was previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 17, 2003;

U.S. Patent No. 2,878,721 to KANOLT, which issued on March 24, 1959;

International Patent Application Publication No. WO 97/26579, which was published on July 24, 1997;

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International Patent Application Publication No. WO 95/26518, which was published on October 5, 1995; and

United Kingdom Patent Application Publication No. GB 2 056 106, which was published on March 11, 1981.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the United Kingdom Examiner applying United Kingdom rules to the United Kingdom claims are set forth in the United Kingdom Search Report.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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